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GPO AND ENERGY DEPARTMENT LAUNCH PUBSCIENCE PROJECT

The Government Printing Office (GPO) and the Department of Energy (DOE) have launched a new electronic system that provides public access to a DOE database of scientific and technical literature. The new system, called PubSCIENCE, was unveiled October 12, 1999, at a DOE ceremony featuring remarks by Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson and GPO's Superintendent of Documents Fran Buckley.

The PubSCIENCE database currently contains bibliographic records from approximately 1,000 peer-reviewed journals provided by more than 20 publishers with a focus on the physical sciences and energy-related disciplines, and the site's content is expected to increase significantly in the near future. PubSCIENCE enables users to identify journal articles, view bibliographic citations, and hyperlink to the publisher's site for full retrieval (if unrestricted), or through a site license, an electronic subscription, or pay-per-view access. Users of the more than 1,300 Federal depository libraries as well as those with their own computers can link to PubSCIENCE through GPO's acclaimed **GPO Access** Internet service, at **www.access.gpo.gov**.

Remarking on the inauguration of the new site, Public Printer Michael F. DiMario said, We are extremely pleased to work with the Energy Department on this new project. Together with our joint Information Bridge project, GPO and DOE are breaking new ground in providing effective public access to Government information.

Earlier this year, GPO and DOE jointly earned a Hammer Award from Vice President Gore's National Partnership for Reinventing Government for the Information Bridge, a project that makes available thousands of unclassified DOE scientific and technical reports in electronic image format via **GPO Access**.

GPO Access is one of the few Government websites established by law and one of the longest running, beginning operation in 1994. It is virtually the only Government website that provides easy, one-stop, no-fee access to information from all three branches of the Federal Government. Over 80 applications make information available from more than 1,300 databases, representing more than 101,000 individual titles.

GPO Access also provides links to an additional 60,000 titles on other Federal websites. Monthly document retrievals today average more than 21 million, or about 924 terabytes of information.

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